Minutes of the Barlaston Parish Council Finance Meeting
Held on Tuesday 7 January 2025 at 19:00: Barlaston Methodist Church, Park Drive

Present:

Cllr G Lloyd (Chair)
Cllr C Hurst
Cllr G Jones
Cllr S Tudor
Cllr E Philpott
Cllr D Borasinski

Also In attendance:

Parish Clerk Ms Vivien O'Dunne

1. **Apologies:** Apologies were received from Cllrs Pickering, Dando and Fisher. It was resolved to accept these. Cllr Oakden wasn't present and didn't send apologies.
2. **Declarations of Interest:** There were no declarations of interest.
3. **Written applications for dispensations under the Localism Act 201.** There were no written applications for dispensation.
4. **Minutes of the Parish Council Finance Meeting 29 November 2023:** These were accepted as a true record and duly signed by the Chairman.
5. **Draft financial strategy for submission to the Parish Council for 2025/2026:** The Clerk issued a spreadsheet giving the breakdown of known income and expenditure; the Cllrs present discussed the following budget items for consideration:

I. Grant application budget
II. General and earmarked reserves
III. Project proposals
IV. Capital projects / new assets
V. Repair and renewal of existing assets
VI. Neighbourhood Plan
VII. Annual Parish Meeting
VIII. Village Hall
IX. The level of precept

It was resolved that the figures be submitted to the main January Parish Council meeting to determine whether the precept recommendation is acceptable and if a further finance meeting is necessary.

6. **Date of next meeting(s) –** 1st July 2025